P2	4670.P
=	1

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

P24670

Total Pages

Inventor(s) or Application Identifier: Franz-Peter KOCH, Stephan STUDT, Dr. Hans-Heinrich MÜLLER, Reinhard STÜBER, and Jörg TOBIAS

Title: METHOD, IN PARTICULAR FOR FEEDING A CIGARETTE STRAND MACHINE AS WELL AS A DISTRIBUTOR DEVICE, IN PARTICULAR FOR CARRYING OUT THE METHOD

ADDRESS TO:

Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop Patent Application PO Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450									
APPLICATION ELEMENTS	ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTSO								
 Fee Transmittal Form (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing) Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Small Entity Statement(s) 	9. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary) a. □ Computer Readable Form (CRF) b. Specification Sequence Listing on: i. □ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or ii. □ paper c. □ Statements verifying identity of above copies								
3. Specification (preferred arrangement set forth below) - Descriptive title of the Invention - Cross References to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure	10 ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) 11. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) 12. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable) 13. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 14. ☐ Preliminary Amendment								
4. ☑ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 4] 5. ☑ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 4] a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy) ☑ Unexecuted b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 20 completed) [Note Box 6 below] i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).	 15.								
 Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 5b is checked) The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 CD-Rom or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix) 	 19.								
21. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior Application No. /, filed Prior application information: Examiner: Group Art Unit:									

Address all future correspondence to **Customer No. 7055** at the present address of:

GREENBLUM & BERNSTEIN, P.L.C. 1950 Roland Clarke Place Reston, VA 20191 (703) 716-1191

Signature

Neil F. Greenblum, Reg. No. 28,394 Typed or Printed Name

[Page 1 of 1]

1					-						
FEE TRANSMITTAL S. PTO			-	Complete if Known							
				Application Number				Not Yet Assigned			
			- ⊢	Filing Date				Concurrently Herewith			
				First Named Inventor				Franz-Peter KOCH et al.			
				Group Art Unit				Unassigned			
				Examiner Name				Unassigned			
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PA	YMENT	(\$)1,040.00		Attorney Docket Number				P24670			
METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)				FEE CALC				LATION (continued)			
The U.S Patent and Trad charge indicated fees and Deposit Account Number 19-	l credit any ov	erpayments to:	3. AD Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)		Entity Fee (\$)	Suraharas	Fee Description		Fee Paid	
Deposit Account Name <u>GREEN</u>	<u>NBLUM & BI</u>	ERNSTEIN, P.L.C.	1052	50	2052		Surcharge	e - late filing fee or oat e - late provisional filir			
Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, includin any required extension of tim fees in any concurrent or futu- reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its time submission (37 CFR 1.136(a) 2.4 ☑ Payment Enclosed: ☑ Check ☐ Credit Car ☐ FEE CALCULATIO 1. FILING FEE Large Entity Small Entity Fee Fee Fee Fee Code (\$) Code (\$) 1001 770 2001 385 1002 340 2002 170 1003 530 2003 265 1004 770 2004 385 1005 160 2005 80	37 CI g of the he 37 CF ure Appli cly Entity (3)) See 3	g fee	1805 1805 1251 1252 1253 1254 1255 2	920* 1,840* 110 420 950 1,480 2,010 330 330 290 1,510 110 1,330	1053 1812 1804 1805 2251 2252 2253 2254 2255 2401 2402 2403 1451 2452 2453 2501 2502 2503 1460 1807	130 2,520 920* 1,840* 55 210 475 740 1,005 165 145 1,510	or covers Non-Engl For filing For filing Requestin Examine Extension Extension Extension Extension Extension Extension Extension Extension Filing a bridge of Petition t proceed Petition t abandon Petition t abandon Petitions Petitions Plant issu Petitions application application	sheet, ish specification g a request for reexami g publication of SIR Examiner action g publication of SIR a rraction in for response within 1 in for response within 3 in for response within 3 in for response within 4 in for response within 5 Appeal orief in support of an a for oral hearing o institute a public use ing o revive unavoidably a orevive unintentionall ed application sue fee (or reissue) ssue fee te fee to the Commissioner related to provisional ons	st month 2nd month 3rd month 4th month 4th month 4th month 5th month		
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 770.00			8021	40	8021	40	Recordin	on of IDS g each patent assignment (times number of prop			
Total Claims 35 -20= Independent 2 -3= Claims	Extra be 15 x 13 0 x 80		1809 1810 1801	770 770 770	2809 2810 2801	385 385 385	Filing a s (37 CFR For each examine	(thinks limber of pro- submission after final real 1.1129(a)) additional invention to d (37 CFR 1.129(b)) for Continued Examina	ejection be		
Multiple Dependent Claims	0 x <u>29</u> 0	0.00	1802		1802	900	(RČE) Request f	for expedited examinat			
Large Entity Small Entity Fee Fee Fee Fee Code (\$) Code (\$)	Fee Descript	ion	Other	£ (.:c.\		of a desi	gn application			
1202 18 2202 9	Claims in ex		1								
1201 86 2201 43 1203 290 2203 145 1204 86 2204 43 1205 18 2205 9	Multiple de Reissue ind original par Reissue cla and over orig	ims in excess of 20 inal patent	*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee pai					SUBTOTAL (3)		00	
SUBTOTAL (2) (S) 270.00											
SUBMITTED BY						<u> </u>	Complete (if applicable)				
Typed or Printed Name Neil F Irregulary				r ·			Reg. Ni	ımber	28,394		
Signature	11.4	VXINC	_	Date	01	127/04	Denocit	Account Hear ID	•		

B#35,043

P24670.P03

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Franz-Peter KOCH et al.

Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned

Filed

: Concurrently Herewith

For

: METHOD, IN PARTICULAR FOR FEEDING A CIGARETTE STRAND MACHINE AS WELL AS A DISTRIBUTOR DEVICE, IN PARTICULAR

FOR CARRYING OUT THE METHOD

COVER LETTER ACCOMPANYING U.S. PATENT APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) and 1.53(f)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed is a new patent application for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) and 1.53(f) in which the Declaration and Power of Attorney attached thereto are in unexecuted form. A properly executed Declaration and Power of Attorney will be filed within the time period set forth in the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, unless such time period has been extended by the filing of a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

Related to the above, this application should be associated with Customer Number 7055. which includes the present correspondence address as follows:

> GREENBLUM & BERNSTEIN, P.L.C. 1950 Roland Clarke Place Reston, VA 20191

> > 1

The above-identified application includes:

- 20 pages of specification with abstract.
- 4 sheets of drawings with 4 figures.
- 35 total claims and 2 independent.
- an unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney.

If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

Franz-Peter KOCH et al.

Neil F. Greenblum

Reg. No. 28,394

1950 Roland Clarke Place Reston, VA 20191 (703) 716-1191

GREENBLUM & BERNSTEIN, P.L.C.

January 27, 2004